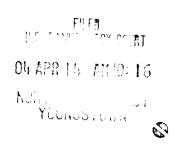
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION



In re:

Chapter 11

LTV STEEL COMPANY, INC.

Jointly Administered

a New Jersey Corporation, et al.,

Case No. 00-43866

Debtors,

Chief Judge Randolph Baxter

ORDER GRANTING FIRST AND FINAL FEE APPLICATION OF NATIONWIDE CONSULTING COMPANY, INC. AS APPRAISERS TO LTV STEEL COMPANY, INC., AND ITS AFFILIATES, AND TO COPPERWELD CORPORATION FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES INCURRED FOR THE PERIOD MAY 14, 2002 THROUGH NOVEMBER 20, 2003.

This matter coming before the Court on the First and Final Fee Application of Nationwide Consulting Company, Inc. for Allowance of Compensation and Reimbursement of Travel Expenses as Appraisers to LTV Steel Company, Inc., its Affiliates and to Copperweld Corporation for the period May 14, 2002 through November 20, 2003 (the "Application"), filed by Nationwide Consulting Company, Inc. ("Professional"), appraisers to the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"); no responses to the Application having been filed; the Court having reviewed the Application and having heard the statements regarding the relief requested in the Application at hearings before the Court (the "Hearings") held on March 23,2004; and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application and at the Hearings establish just cause for the relief granted herein;

THE COURT HEREBY FINDS THAT:

- The Court has jurisdiction over this mater pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. A.
- В. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).

- C.. The Application and the notice thereof comply with the applicable requirements of: (1) the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1330 (the "Bankruptcy Code"); (2) the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure; (3) the Administrative Order, Pursuant to Sections 105(a) and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals, dated January 31, 2001 (D.I. 334); (4) the U.S. Trustee's Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330; (5) General Order No. 93-1 of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio; and (6) the Court's Order Establishing Case Management Procedures Regarding Filing, Service, Notice, Copies and Hearing Dates, entered on April 10, 2001, as amended (D.I. 885).
- D. Nationwide Consulting Company, Inc.'s compensation for services rendered in connection with the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, for which it seeks final allowance in the Application, is reasonable and appropriate under sections 330(a)(1)(A) and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- E. Nationwide Consulting Company, Inc.'s incurred in connection with the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, for which it seeks reimbursement in the Application, are actual and necessary expenses, under sections 330(a)(1)(B) and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Application is GRANTED.
- 2. The allowance of \$250,000 for compensation of professional appraisal services rendered to Copperweld Corporation and reimbursement of travel expenses of \$22,252 in connection with rendering such service for the period January 5, 2003 through April 10, 2003 is approved.
- 3. Copperweld Corporation is authorized to pay to Nationwide Consulting Company, Inc. the holdback amount on compensation totaling \$20,000 representing \$272,252 for professional appraisal services rendered and travel expenses incurred by Nationwide Consulting Company, Inc., less \$252,252, the amount paid by Copperweld Corporation as of the date of this Order for the period January 5, 2003 through April 10, 2003.

4. The allowance of \$100,200 for compensation of professional appraisal services rendered to LTV Steel Company, Inc. and its affiliates and reimbursement of travel expenses of \$4,670 in connection with rendering such service for the period May 14, 2002 through November 20, 2003 is approved.

5. LTV Steel Company, Inc. and its affiliates are authorized to pay Nationwide Consulting Company, Inc. the holdback amount on compensation totaling \$20,040, representing \$104,870 for professional appraisal services rendered and travel expenses incurred by Nationwide Consulting Company, Inc., less \$84,830, the amount paid by LTV Steel Company, Inc. and its affiliates as of the date of this Order for the period May 14, 2002 through November 20, 2003.

Dated: april 14, say

United States Bankruptcy Judge

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